

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 18th: Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 12:00-12:30pm

Thursday, November 22nd: Thanksgiving (church office closed)

Sunday, November 25th: Great-Martyr Katherine

Wednesday, November 28th: 7:00 P.M.– Bazaar Committee Post Bazaar Meeting

Saturday, December 1st: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, December 2nd: Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
5:00 P.M.- Sunday School outing to La Salette

Saturday, December 8th: 6:00 P.M.- Choir Concert (in English & Arabic)- refreshments to follow at the Parish Center

Sunday, December 9th: Conception of Theotokos
Choir Appreciation

Tuesday, December 11th: 7:00P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

Saturday, December 15th: 10:00 A.M.- Sunday School Pageant practice in the church hall

Sunday, December 16th: Forefathers (Ancestors) of Christ
Church School Pageant & Luncheon

Sunday, December 23rd: Sunday before the Nativity (Genealogy)

Monday, December 24th: 5:00 P.M.- Christmas Liturgy

Tuesday, December 25th: Christmas Day

Sunday, December 30th: Sunday after the Nativity

Monday, December 31st: New Year's Eve



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SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, November 18, 2018

Twenty Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

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"A parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America"

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**His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York
& Metropolitan of all North America**

**His Grace Bishop JOHN, Auxiliary and Bishop of the
Diocese of Worcester and New England**

V. Rev. Father Elie Estephan
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Sub-Deacon Emad Amirhom

Schedule of Services

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| <i>Sunday: Orthros (Matins)</i> | <i>9:00 a.m.</i> |
| <i>Church School</i> | <i>11:15 a.m.</i> |
| <i>Sunday: Divine Liturgy</i> | <i>10:00 a.m.</i> |

*Enter in Quietness, Rest in Prayer,
Worship in Reverence, Depart in Peace to Serve*

We welcome our Visitors & Guests: Please take a moment to fill out a Visitor Card.
We invite you to join us for coffee hour at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

Receiving Communion: Only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves may approach the chalice for Holy Communion. Everyone is welcome to partake of the Holy Bread after the Liturgy.



Prayer Line

St. Mary ~ Internet Prayer Line
Prayer requests can be sent to us via the internet at
office@stmarypawtucket.org

All requests must be received by Wednesday noon to be included in that week's bulletin.
Any requests received after that time will be included in the following week's bulletin.

THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On November 18 in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate the holy Great-Martyr Plato of Ancyra in Galatia.

Verses

*Plato almost escaped unnoticed; that Plato, I mean, whom the broad sword slaughtered.
On the eighteenth, a saber slew Plato.*

Plato is the brother of the holy Martyr Antiochus the Physician (July 16). While still a youth, he left home and went through the cities, preaching the Word of God to pagans, amazing his audience with the persuasiveness and beauty of his speech, and his profound knowledge of Greek learning. For this, Plato was arrested and brought for trial to the temple of Zeus before the governor Agrippinus. At first, the judge attempted to persuade the saint to turn away from Christ by flattery. He assured the youth that he might be on a par of intellect with the greatest of the philosophers Plato, if only he worshipped also the pagan gods. To this, Saint Plato answered that the wisdom of the philosopher, although great, was but ephemeral and limited; whereas the true, eternal and unbounded wisdom comprised the Gospel teachings. Agrippinus ordered the holy Martyr Plato to be beheaded, and he entered the Heavenly Kingdom in 266.

On this day, we also commemorate the Martyr Romanos of Antioch; Martyrs Zachaeus the deacon and Alphaeos the reader of Caesarea in Palestine. By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.



Antiochian Village Winter Family Camp

Antiochian Village Winter Family Camp program to be held January 18-21 (MLK Jr. weekend), 2019! It is a wonderful opportunity for families to spend a weekend growing closer to Christ together. Please visit avcamp.org to register. Please feel free to contact us at (724)-238-9565 or e-mail office@avcamp.org. (optional snowtubing)

Christmas Liturgy

Christmas Liturgy this year will be on
Monday, December 24th at 5:00 P.M.

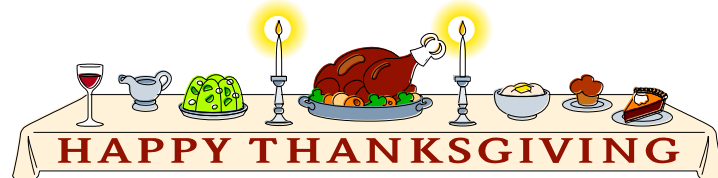


Arabic pastry will be available for purchase during coffee hour.
*(date fingers, apricot crescents, graybee, rolled baklava-walnut,
rolled baklava-pistachio, rolled baklava– dates)*

Orthodox Vocabulary

Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving: thanking God for benefits received. St Paul recommends doing this constantly: “Give thanks in all circumstances” (1 Thess 5:18). The eucharistic prayer is a thanksgiving and begins with the phrase, “Let us give thanks to the Lord.” In the biblical tradition, every joyful event leads to a thanksgiving, a song called an ode, such as the song of victory by the Jewish people after the passage through the Red Sea (Ex 15:2-18). Moses, while placing the Tables of the Law into the Ark, pronounced a canticle (Deut 32:1-43). Anna, mother of the Prophet Samuel, pronounced a prayer of thanksgiving as she consecrated her son to the Lord (1 Sam 2:1-10). This canticle served as a model for Mary, who borrowed certain phrases in her *Magnificat*. Jonah, saved from the belly of the fish after being swallowed up for three days, sang about the joy of the resurrection and the ascent from hell (Jon 2:3-10). Luke shows Mary to be in this tradition with the *Magnificat*. In the same way, Zechariah, the father of the forerunner, sings his joy after nine months of silence: the *Benedictus* (Lk 1:68-79).



THE EPISTLE

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.

God is known in Judah; His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (4:1-7)

Brethren, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, Who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (12:16-21)

The Lord spoke this parable: “The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.” As He said this, Jesus called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”



Twenty Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Tone: 8 Eothinon: 3

APOLYTIKION OF THE RESURRECTION: Tone 8

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE DORMITION: Tone 1

In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS: Tone 4

*(**Thou Who wast raised up**)*

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, * the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, * the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, * into the House of the Lord * on this day is brought forward * and bringeth with herself the grace * of the Most Divine Spirit; * her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, * for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

Arabic Liturgy

Arabic Liturgy is being offered the first Saturday of each month at 6:00 P.M. All are welcome. and encouraged to attend.

Nothing will help us if we are not generous and forgiving towards human weakness in others.

~St. Nikolai Velimirovic

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway
Mark Hashway
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Edward & Lillian Betor
Paul & Kerrie Betor
Thomas & Lynn Marcotte
Matthew & Adrienne Dykstra
Peter Marcotte
Laurice Zambie
William & LaVerne Ameen
Great-Grandchildren Daniel, Rose &
Joelle Dykstra
Offered by: Edward & Lillian Betor

Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Offered by: A Friend

Alexander Lazieh
Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Bob Dessaint & Sons

Joe & Marlene Samra
Offered by: Steve, & Patricia Kilsey & Family

Nicholas, Leila & Emily Chowning
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Julia Vale
Eli, Julia & Naji Karam
Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Louise Osborn
Julia Vale
Offered by: Sandra Matook & Family

Julia Vale
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier



Mary David
Julia Vale
Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

Julia Vale
Mary David
Cindy Hayes & Family
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Ameen and Nayfey Sabath
Petros and Afife Betor
Helen Betor
Fred Sabath
Fred "Fritzie" and Jimmy Sabath
Offered by: Edward & Lillian Betor

Nellie Hallal
Moses Lazieh
Sophie & Fred Hallal
Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Bob Dessaint & Sons

Nabil Ghali
Alexandra Khoury
Mona Toma
Youssef Khoury
Offered by: Wadih & Mireille Karam

Ronald Gauthier
Christopher Gauthier
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Ronnie Gauthier
Christopher Gauthier
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Donald Hayes
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Coffee Hour

Today, Coffee Hour is being offered by Cindy Hayes for the health of her family and in memory of her husband, Don Hayes. Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

